## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION,

Plaintiff,

Vs.

BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT SECURITIES, LLC,

Defendant.

In re:

BERNARD L. MADOFF,

Debtor.

IRVING H. PICARD, Trustee for the Liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC,

Plaintiff,

v.

ROBERT S. BERNSTEIN,

Defendant.

Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (BRL)

SIPA Liquidation

(Substantively Consolidated)

Adv. Pro. No. 10-04883 (BRL)

## DECLARATION OF MAX FOLKENFLIK IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO WITHDRAW THE REFERENCE

## I, Max Folkenflik, hereby declare:

1. I am a member of the firm of Folkenflik & McGerity, attorneys for the above named Defendant in this Adversary Proceeding, and I make this Declaration in Support of Defendant's Motion to Withdraw the Reference.

- 2. Annexed hereto as **Exhibit A** is a copy of the original Complaint filed by Plaintiff in this action on November 12, 2010 ("Complaint").
- 3. By Stipulation, Defendant was granted an extension of time to answer the Complaint. Annexed hereto as **Exhibit B** is a copy of Defendant's Answer to the Complaint, filed on January 6, 2012.
- 4. Annexed hereto as **Exhibit C** is a copy of the Amended Complaint filed by Plaintiff on January 24, 2012 ("Amended Complaint").
- 5. By Stipulation, Defendant was granted an extension of time to answer the Amended Complaint. Annexed hereto as **Exhibit D** is a copy of Defendant's Answer to the Amended Complaint, filed on February 24, 2012.

I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on April 2, 2012.